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SLEUTH OF THE SUPERNATURAL

TWICE BEFORE, MARK MERLIN HAD FACED THE ASTOUNDING POWERS OF THAT MASTER OF THE BLACK ARTS--DOCTOR-7! AND EACH TIME HE HAD BEATEN HIM AT HIS OWN DARK GAME! BUT HOW COULD MARK POSSIBLY OVERCOME THIS OCCULT POWER WHEN IT IS JOINED BY AN EVEN MORE FEARFUL FORCE IN THE FORM OF...

DOCTOR-7'S SUPERNATURAL ALLY

IT--IT DIDN'T WORK, MARK! THE POTION THAT WAS TO DESTROY THE MORLOO FAILED!

YES, MERLIN--AND NOW YOU'RE POWERLESS AGAINST MY MYSTIC PARTNER!

SPLASH

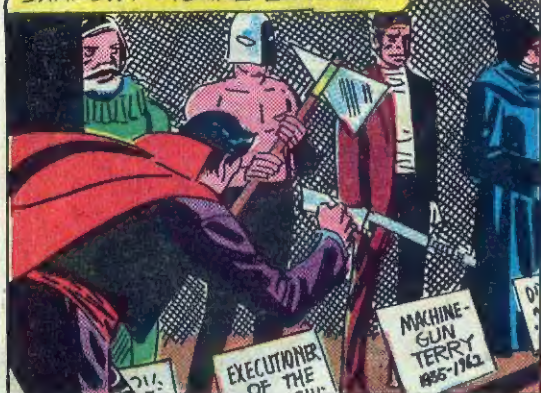
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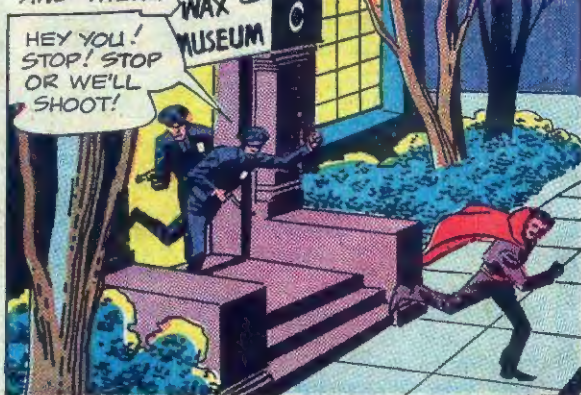
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NIGHT, IN THE DUREALI WAX MUSEUM, AS A SHADOWY FIGURE ENTERS...



...REMOVES SOMETHING FROM ONE STATUE AND THEN...



SUDDENLY, THE MYSTERIOUS FIGURE TOSSES SOMETHING IN THE AIR AND...



WHEN THE GUARDS RECOVER...

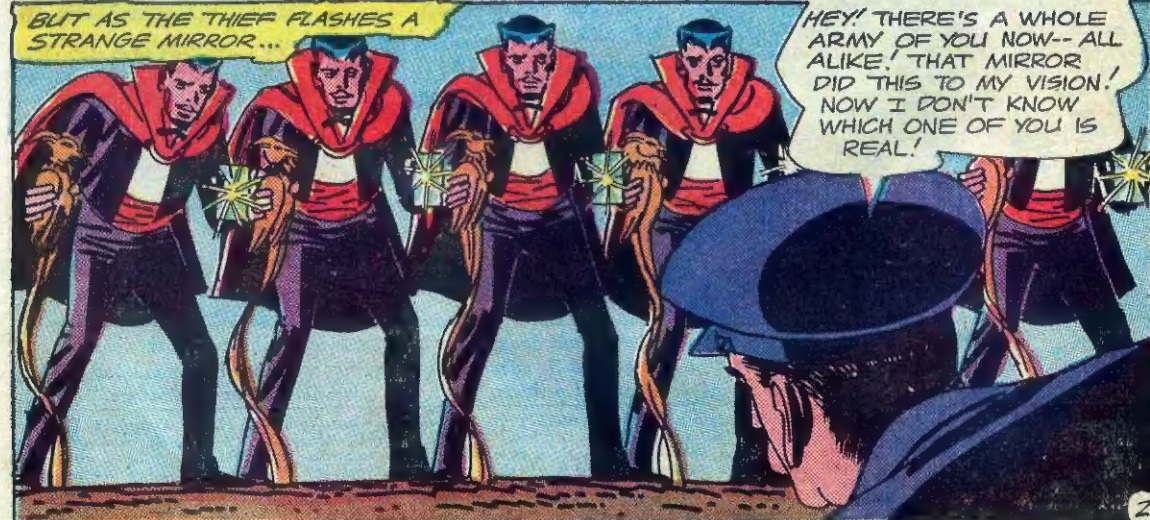
HE GOT AWAY! AND LOOK-- ALL HE STOLE WAS A GLOVE FROM THIS STATUE OF MACHINE-GUN TERRY! IT WAS TERRY'S REAL GLOVE-- BUT WHAT KIND OF A NUT WOULD STEAL THAT?



SEVERAL DAYS LATER, IN THE BIRD HOUSE OF A NEARBY ZOO.



BUT AS THE THIEF FLASHES A STRANGE MIRROR...



HEY! THERE'S A WHOLE ARMY OF YOU NOW-- ALL ALIKE! THAT MIRROR DID THIS TO MY VISION! NOW I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE OF YOU IS REAL!

ONCE MORE THE ASTONISHING CRIMINAL ESCAPES, AND SEVERAL DAYS LATER, IN A BROODING MANSION ON MYSTERY HILL...

HERE'S ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE WEIRD THEFTS, MARK! AN ANCIENT VASE STOLEN FROM MR. VAN GUILDER'S COLLECTION! AND THE THIEF IS CLEARLY DESCRIBED AS--
DOCTOR-7!



THEN, AS ELSA LOOKS UP FROM THE PAPER...

MARK! MARK! WHAT IS IT? Y-YOU LOOK AWFUL! ARE YOU IN PAIN?

GROAN

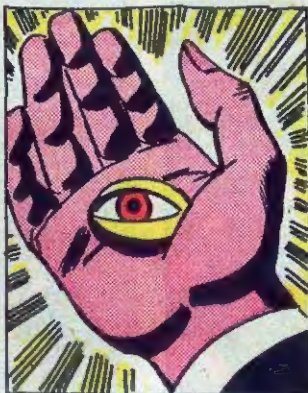


SUDDENLY, MARK MERLIN ROUSES FROM HIS STRANGE CONDITION...

IT-IT'S NOTHING, ELSA! A LITTLE EXPERIMENT I'VE BEEN CONDUCTING! THERE'S AN ELEMENT OF DANGER IN IT AND-- WELL, I PUSHED IT A BIT TOO FAR THIS TIME!



AS MARK SLOWLY UNCLENCHES HIS TENSE FIST, THERE IS THE BRIEF FLASH OF A STRANGE GOLD AND RUBY ARTIFACT...

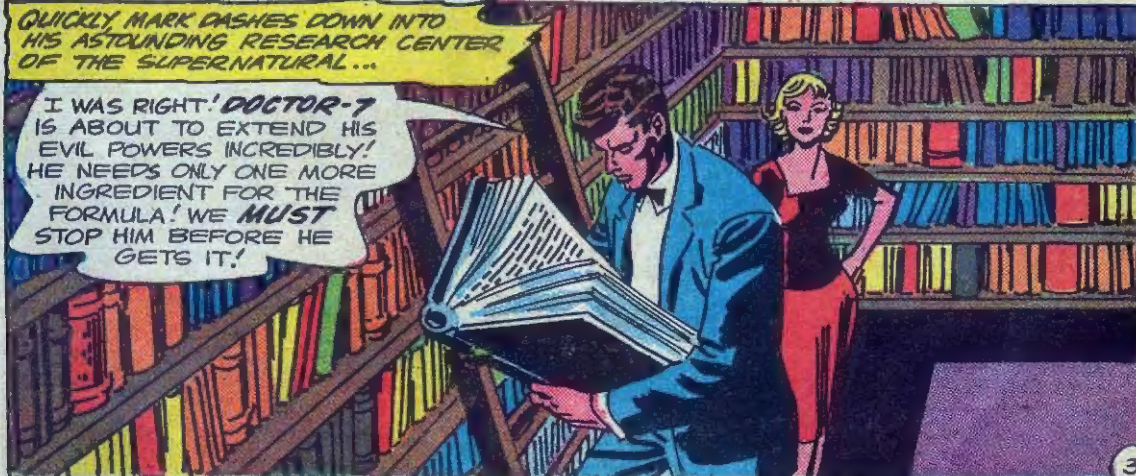


THESE THINGS **DOCTOR-7** STOLE HAVE A FAMILIAR RING TO THEM! A PIECE OF A MURDERER'S CLOTHING-- A RARE BIRD--AND AN ANCIENT RECEPTACLE! HMM! **NOW I REMEMBER!**



QUICKLY MARK DASHES DOWN INTO HIS ASTOUNDING RESEARCH CENTER OF THE SUPERNATURAL...

I WAS RIGHT! **DOCTOR-7** IS ABOUT TO EXTEND HIS EVIL POWERS INCREDIBLY! HE NEEDS ONLY ONE MORE INGREDIENT FOR THE FORMULA! WE **MUST** STOP HIM BEFORE HE GETS IT!



SHORTLY...

THE LARGEST STORE OF RADIUM IN THE CITY IS IN THIS LAB! AND THE FORMULA DOCTOR-7 IS COMPLETING CALLS FOR PITCHBLEND-- A CRUDE FORM OF RADIUM, WHICH IS WHAT THE FORMULA ACTUALLY MUST HAVE REQUIRED!

SMYTHE
RADIOLOGICAL
LABORATORIES

USING SOME MODERN "MAGIC"-- A MASTERFUL SET OF SKELETON KEYS-- MARK ENTERS THE BUILDING...

DOCTOR-7 HAS BROUGHT SOMETHING INTO OUR WORLD THAT MUST BE DRIVEN OUT AGAIN! RIGHT NOW ITS PRESENCE IS ONLY TEMPORARY, BUT WITH THIS FINAL INGREDIENT-- SHHH! LISTEN!

MARK MERLIN!
HOW FORTUNATE!
YOU'RE JUST THE
MAN TO APPRECIATE
MY GREATEST
TRIUMPH! YOU,
ABOVE ALL,
WOULD RECOGNIZE
IT, OF COURSE!
THE MORLOO!

OOYAH!!!

EEEE!
MARK-- THAT
THING-- IT'S
INCREDIBLE!

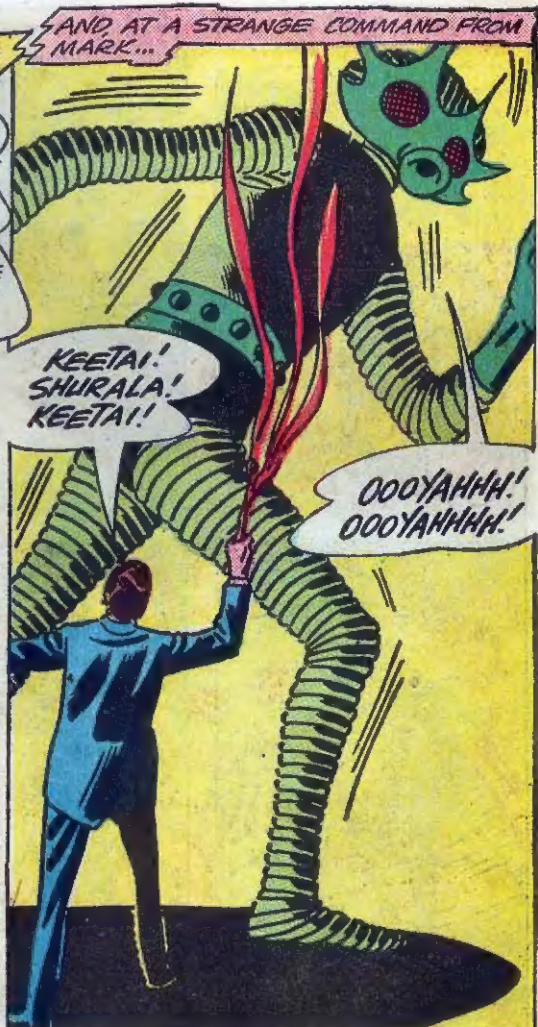


QUICKLY, MARK REMOVES SOMETHING FROM HIS POCKET...

YES! ONLY YOU WOULD BE EVIL ENOUGH TO WANT TO BRING THAT THING BACK! BUT LET'S SEE JUST HOW INVULNERABLE THE MORLOO REALLY IS! LET HIM FACE THE SACRED FIRE WOOD OF THE ANDES!



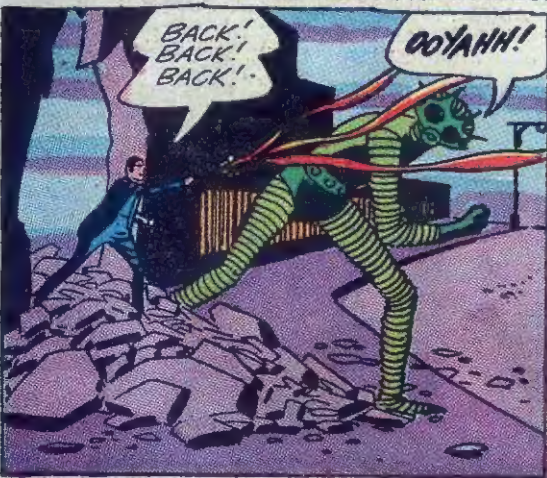
YOU WOULD KNOW HOW THE MORLOO WAS RELEASED FROM ITS SUPERNATURAL WORLD IN THE 14TH CENTURY AND REIGNED OVER ALL UNTIL IT DEPARTED! I AM THE FIRST MAN SINCE THEN TO SUCCEED IN BRINGING IT BACK!



KEETAI! SHURALA! KEETAI!

OOOYAHHA! OOOYAHHA!

THE INCREDIBLE FIGURE BACKS AWAY FROM THE FLAME AND MARK ADVANCES...



BACK! BACK! BACK!

OOYAH!

SUDDENLY, AS THE WEIRD BEING RAISES ONE ARM...

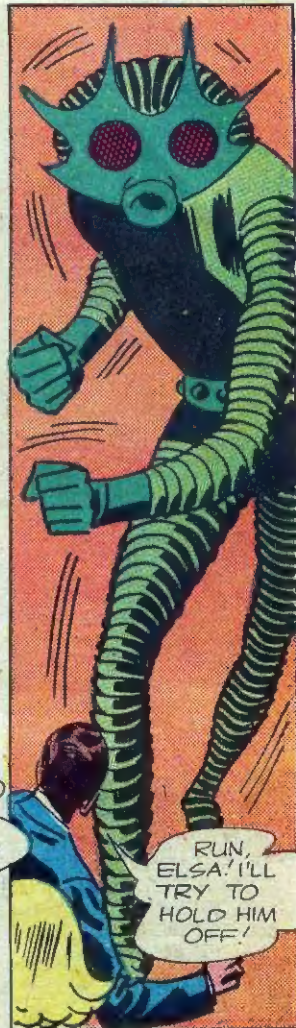


GREAT HANNAH! THE ARM--IT'S GROWING STRAIGHT UP! BUT WHY?

LIP UP, UP THE ARM
CONTINUES TO GROW
UNTIL...



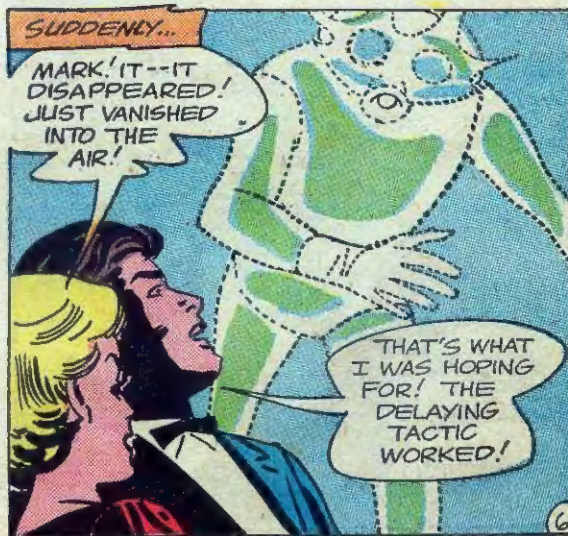
HE'S BROUGHT
A TORRENT OF
RAIN FROM THE
SKY TO EXTINGUISH
THE FLAMES!



RUN,
ELSA! I'LL
TRY TO
HOLD HIM
OFF!



NO, MARK!
YOU CAN'T
STOP HIM!
AND I WON'T
GO WITHOUT
YOU!



SUDDENLY...

MARK! IT--IT
DISAPPEARED!
JUST VANISHED
INTO THE
AIR!

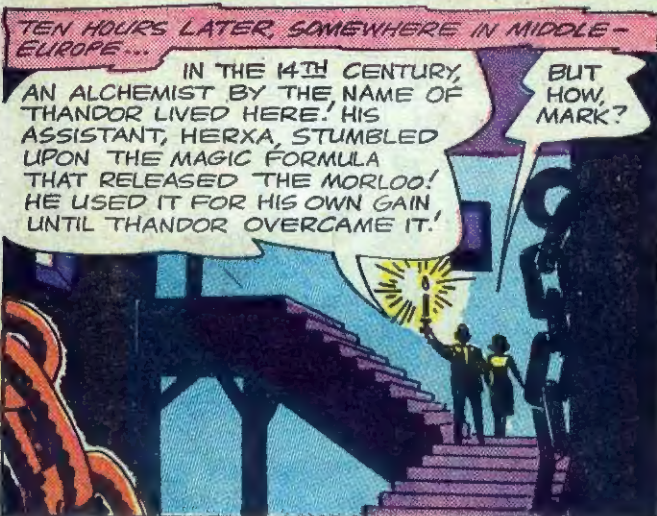
THAT'S WHAT
I WAS HOPING
FOR! THE
DELAYING
TACTIC
WORKED!



UNTIL **DOCTOR-7** COMPLETES THE FORMULA FOR ITS PERMANENT RETURN, THE MORLOO CAN ONLY REMAIN ON EARTH FOR BRIEF PERIODS! SPEAKING OF **DOCTOR-7**, WE'D BETTER GRAB HIM!
HURRY!



DO NOT SEEK ME, MERLIN, FOR I AM GONE! MY VOICE REACHES YOU BY A MAGIC FAR OLDER THAN RADIO! THE NEXT TIME WE MEET, THE MORLOO WILL BE MY PERMANENT ALLY!
:HA, HA, HA:
NOT IF I CAN PREVENT IT, **DOCTOR-7!** AND I'VE GOT 24 HOURS TO DO IT! THAT'S HOW LONG IT TAKES BEFORE THE MORLOO CAN REAPPEAR!



TEN HOURS LATER, SOMEWHERE IN MIDDLE-EUROPE...

IN THE 14TH CENTURY, AN ALCHEMIST BY THE NAME OF THANDOR LIVED HERE! HIS ASSISTANT, HERXA, STUMBLED UPON THE MAGIC FORMULA THAT RELEASED THE MORLOO! HE USED IT FOR HIS OWN GAIN, UNTIL THANDOR OVERCAME IT!

BUT HOW, MARK?



HE DISCOVERED A "COUNTER-MAGIC," A FORMULA THAT COULD RETURN THE MORLOO TO ITS WORLD--FOR A GREAT LENGTH OF TIME! HE LEFT THAT SECRET BEHIND--BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, IN A CODE THAT NONE COULD DECIPHER!



DECIPHERING THAT CRYPTIC MESSAGE HAS BEEN A PET PROJECT OF MINE FOR YEARS! I FINALLY GAINED THE KEY SOME MONTHS BACK, BUT I WAS IN NO HURRY TO APPLY IT--UNTIL NOW!

Y-Y-YOU MEAN YOU CAN READ THAT JUMBLE?



YES...IT TELLS EXACTLY WHAT FORMULA THANDOR USED TO DEFEAT THE MORLOO! AND WITH IT--I'LL SEND THAT THING BACK TO LIMBO! LET'S GO, ELSA!

BACK IN AMERICA, WITH TIME RUNNING OUT, MARK WORKS FEVERISHLY...



THAT'S IT-- THE POTION EXACTLY AS FORMULATED BY THANDOR! YOU REMAIN HERE, ELSA! I'M GOING TO DELIVER OUR LITTLE "BOMB!"

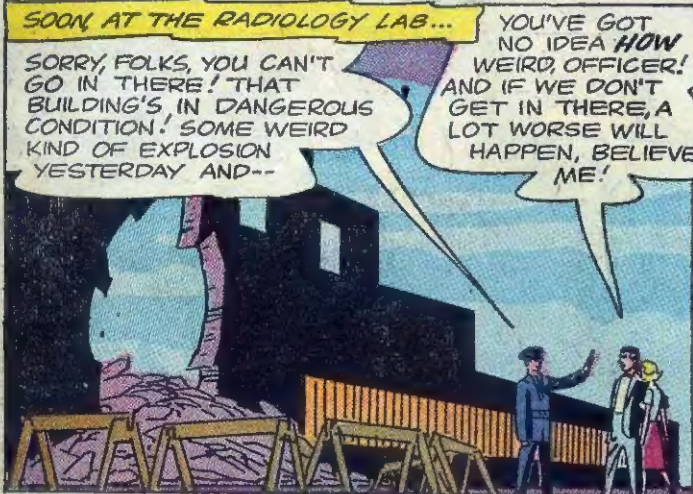
NO YOU DON'T, MARK MERLIN!



I GO WHERE YOU GO-- GHOSTS OR NOT!

OKAY, YOU WIN! I CAN FIGHT ANY KIND OF MAGIC -- EXCEPT YOURS!

SOON, AT THE RADIOLOGY LAB...



SORRY, FOLKS, YOU CAN'T GO IN THERE! THAT BUILDING'S IN DANGEROUS CONDITION! SOME WEIRD KIND OF EXPLOSION YESTERDAY AND--

YOU'VE GOT NO IDEA **HOW** WEIRD, OFFICER! AND IF WE DON'T GET IN THERE, A LOT WORSE WILL HAPPEN, BELIEVE ME!

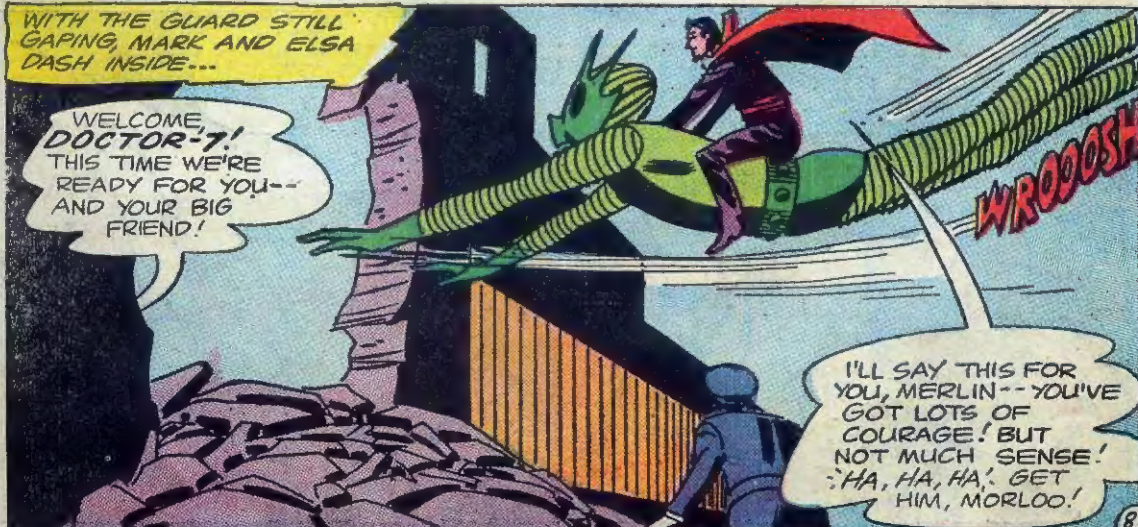


SUDDENLY...

GLORY BE! WHAT'S THAT? IT LOOKS LIKE A GIANT BIRD!

YOU MIGHT CALL IT THAT! AND THIS BIRD IS COMING BACK FOR ITS RADIUM "WORM!" COME ON, ELSA --WE'VE GOT TO STOP IT!

WITH THE GUARD STILL GAPING, MARK AND ELSA DASH INSIDE...

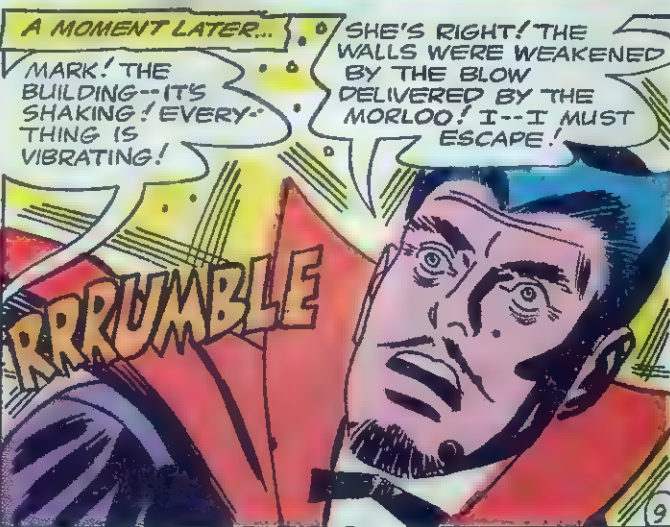
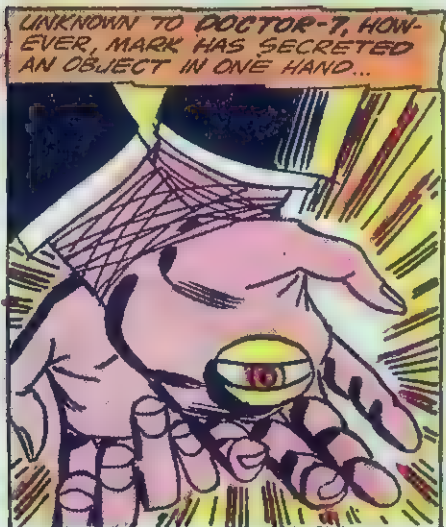
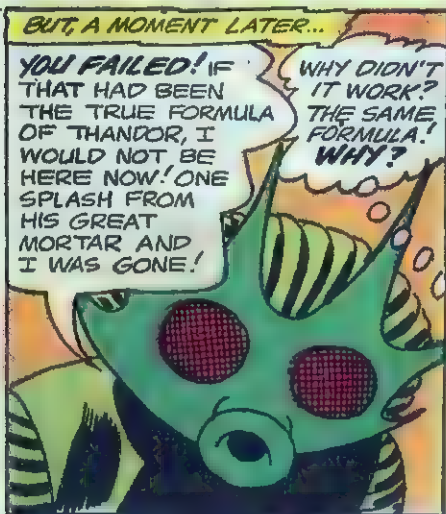
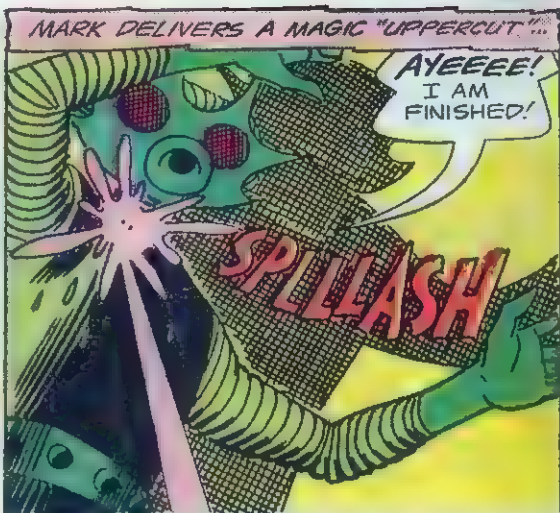
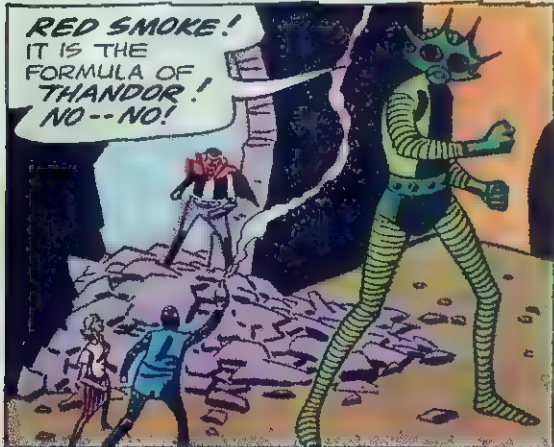


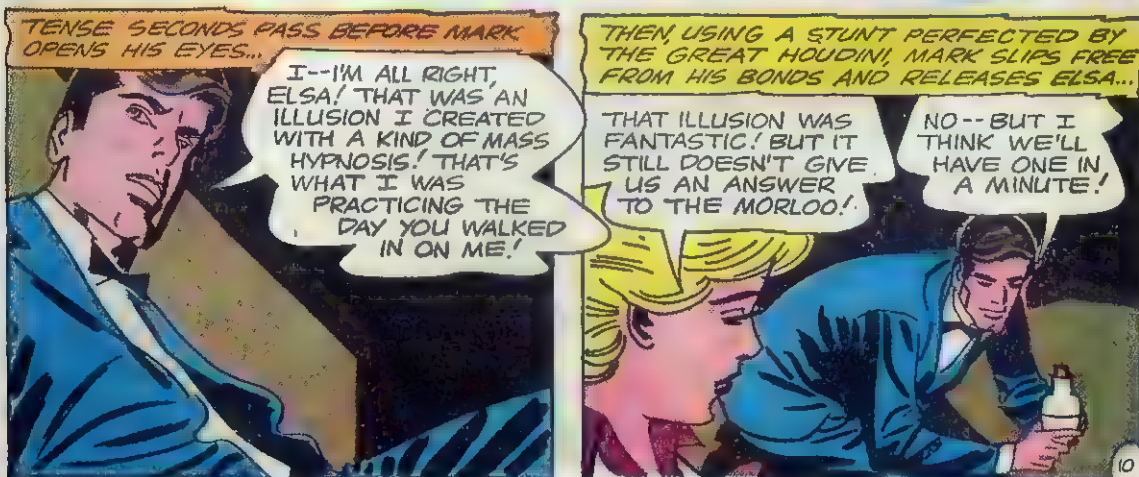
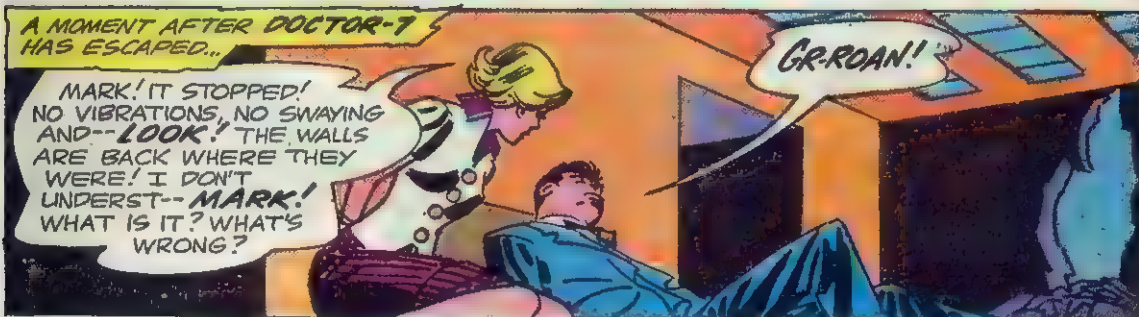
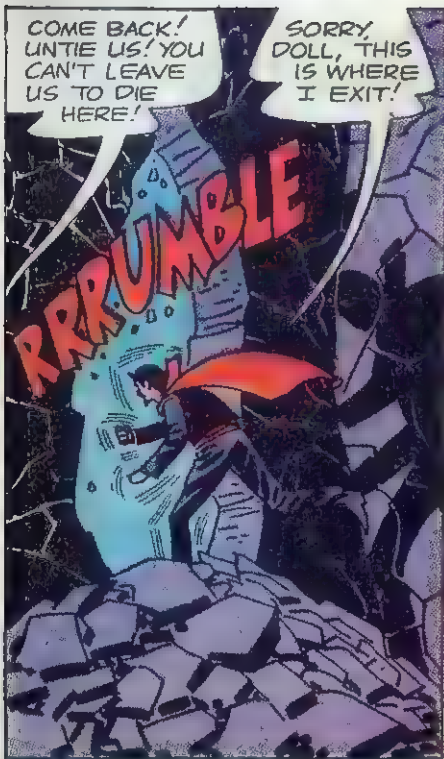
WELCOME, DOCTOR-7! THIS TIME WE'RE READY FOR YOU-- AND YOUR BIG FRIEND!

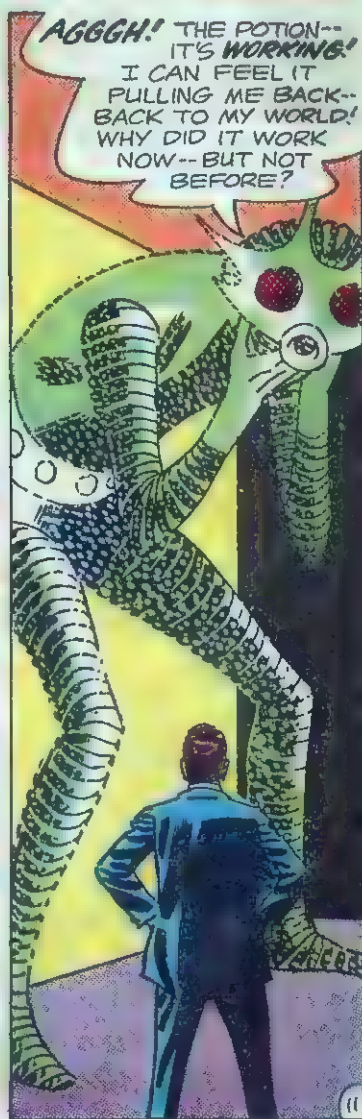
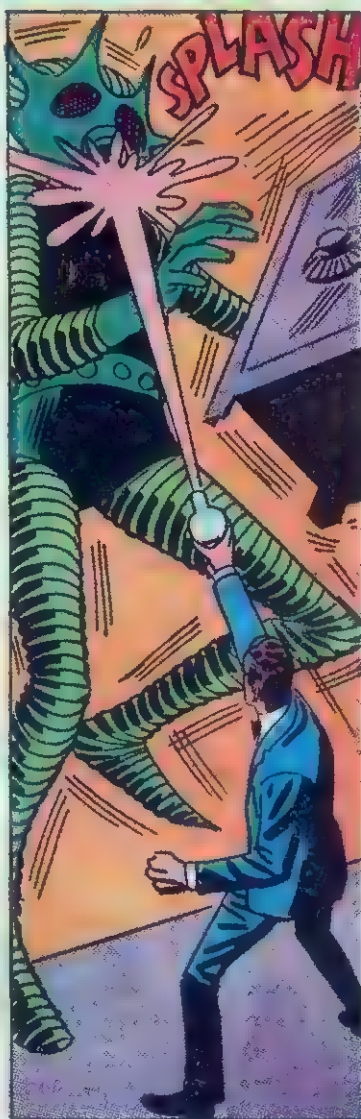
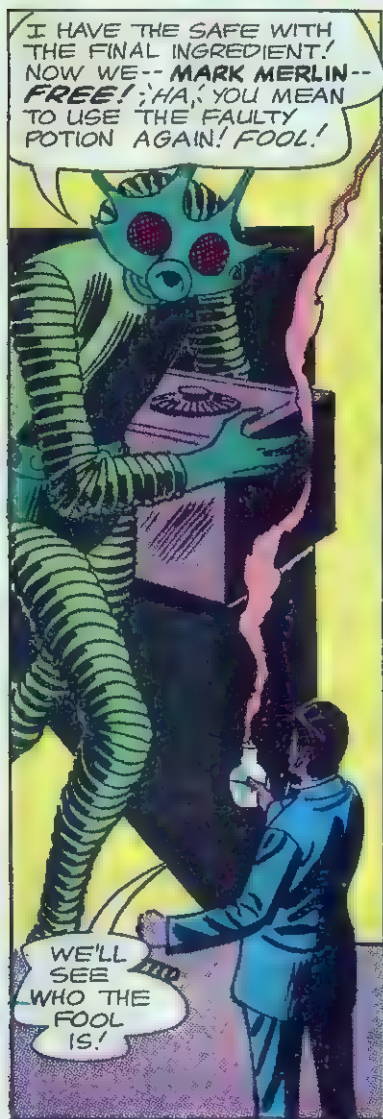
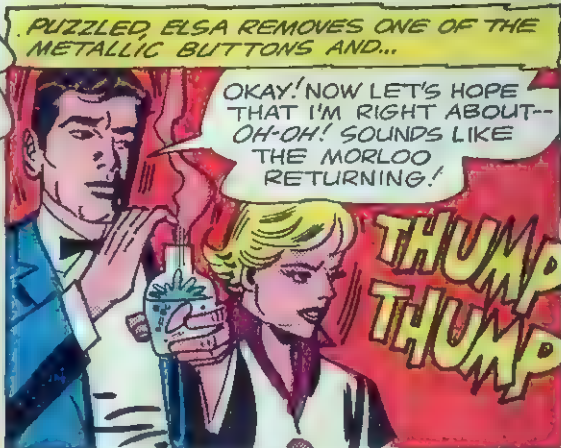
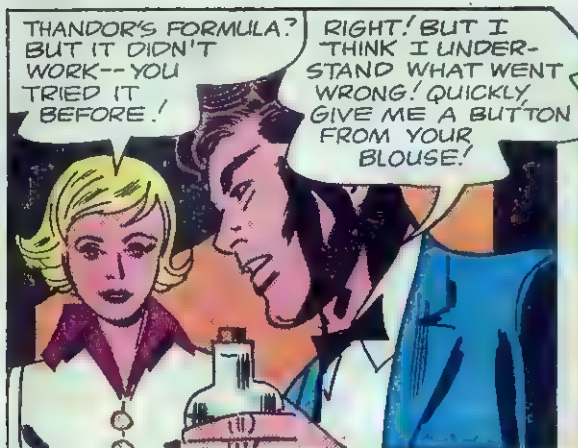
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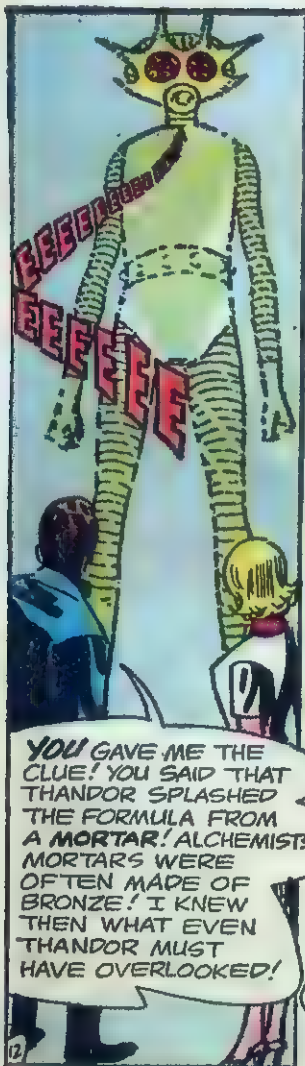
I'LL SAY THIS FOR YOU, MERLIN-- YOU'VE GOT LOTS OF COURAGE! BUT NOT MUCH SENSE! HA, HA, HA! GET HIM, MORLOO!

INSTANTLY, MARK UNCORKS THE FLASK AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE MORLOO SPEAKS...









YOU GAVE ME THE CLUE! YOU SAID THAT THANDOR SPLASHED THE FORMULA FROM A MORTAR! ALCHEMISTS' MORTARS WERE OFTEN MADE OF BRONZE! I KNEW THEN WHAT EVEN THANDOR MUST HAVE OVERLOOKED!

--THAT BRONZE WAS AN INGREDIENT OF THE FORMULA! WITHOUT IT, THE POTION WOULDN'T WORK! BUT I HAD MIXED MINE IN GLASS! SO THE ADDITION OF A BRONZE BUTTON DID THE REST! YOU EXTINGUISHED YOURSELF, 'MORLOO!

MOMENTS LATER, OUTSIDE...

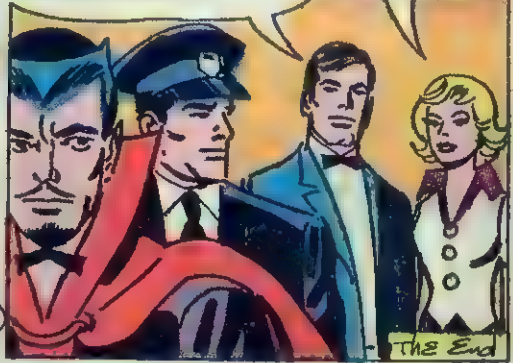
YOU'RE MARK MERLIN-- I REALIZED IT AFTER YOU RAN IN THERE! I DON'T GO MUCH FOR THAT SPOOK STUFF --BUT I THINK I CAUGHT ME A FLESH AND BLOOD CRIMINAL HERE!

YES! HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THAT BUILDING! BUT ONE THING --



--I THINK YOU'LL HAVE A HARD TIME HOLDING THAT MAN! I'M NOT SURE ANY HUMAN PRISON CAN HOLD-- DOCTOR-7!

WELL, AT LEAST THE MORLOO IS DRIVEN OFF INDEFINITELY! OR--IS IT?

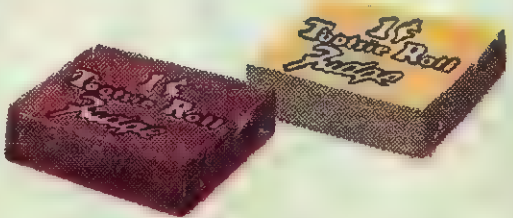


I LIKE CHOCOLATE FUDGE BEST!

I LIKE VANILLA FUDGE BEST!

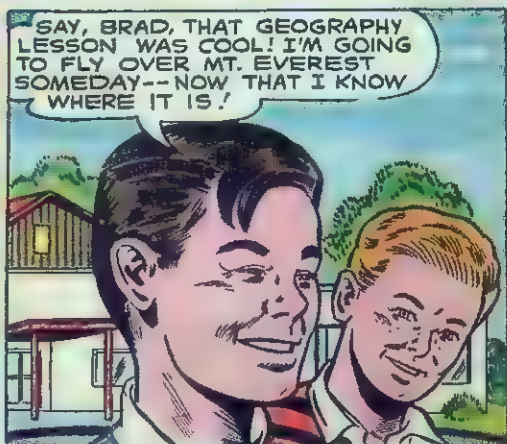
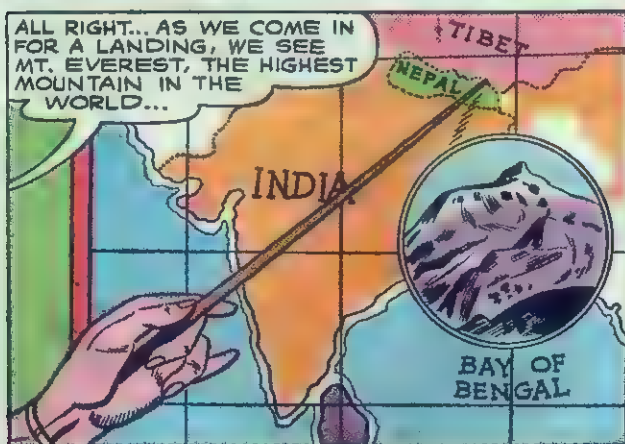
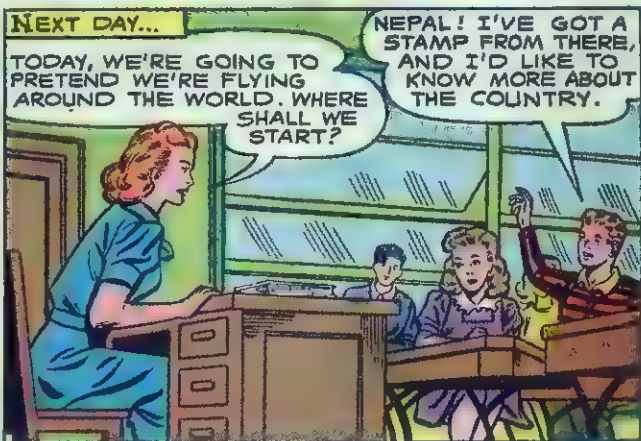
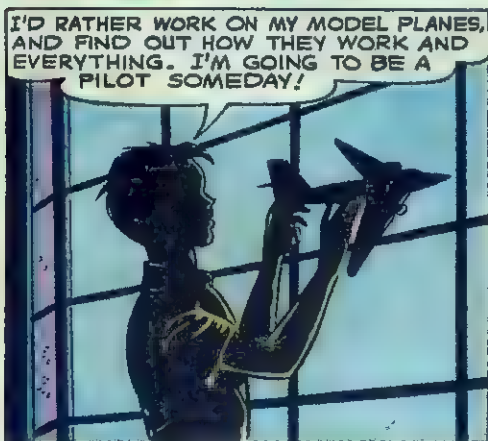
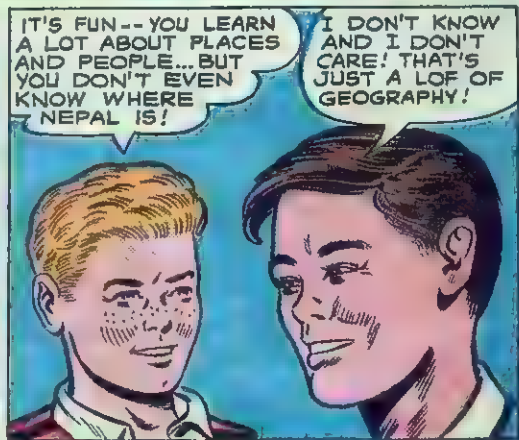
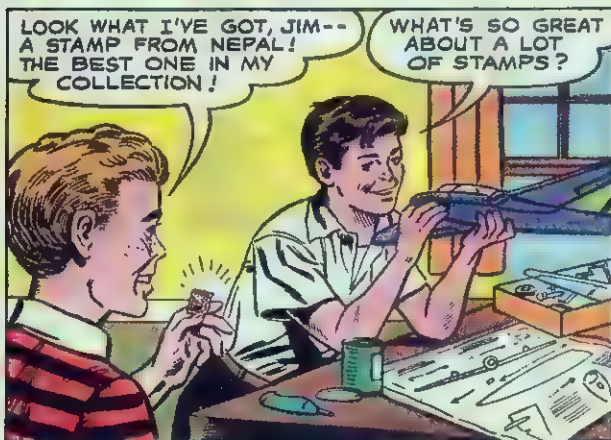


...BUT EVERYONE LIKES TOOTSIE ROLL FUDGE BEST! IT'S CREAMY, SMOOTH, DELICIOUS!



Get some!

LEARN from YOUR HOBBIES!



WORLD of the WEIRD

THE tying of knots has always been closely associated with magic rites. Multi-colored threads, plant stems, even animal hair were tied in knots, at one time or another, to cure everything from high fever to headaches—even to remove spells.

The Roman novelist, Petronius, who wrote during Nero's reign, records the case of a witch who formed a knot out of twisted threads, placed it over the head of a man believed to be under a spell—and released him from his spell.

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Modern fortune tellers confine themselves to the crystal ball, reading tea leaves, interpreting the stars, or examining the palm. Ancient prognosticators used a wide variety of omens, signs, and portents. Fortune tellers have "read" the trails made by the lava down the sides of the erupted volcanic mountain. They have interpreted the shape of a drop of oil or melted wax—and have gazed into a pool of clear water, to help them foretell the future.

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The most mysterious man of the eighteenth century was the Count of Saint-Germain. The Count was attached to the court of Louis XV of France, and was a popular favorite because of his ability to recall in amazing detail remote historical events.

Saint-Germain's explanation for this skill was that he was 2,000 years old, and possessed an almost perfect memory. While he gave no additional explanation for his longevity, he accepted every challenge ever made to his astonishing claim. He could converse quite fluently in a dozen Western and Oriental languages, and he astounded his listeners by writing in and speaking languages unknown even to scholars.

According to his supporters, the 2,000-year-old man of mystery had somewhere along the way mastered the art of alchemy and the transmutation of metals. Louis XV himself declared that Saint-Germain had, in his very

presence, even turned himself invisible for a short time.

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Levitation is defined as the raising of the body, or of inanimate objects, into the air, contrary to the laws of gravitation. Modern magicians use mechanical devices to give this illusion. But there are a number of recorded examples of supposed feats of levitation throughout the ages.

Hundreds of witnesses testified that they saw a boy, being pursued by an angry schoolmaster, in 18th Century England, elude the teacher's grasp by leaping into the air and flying over a small cottage.

Another case concerns an Italian monk, St. Joseph of Copertino, who in the seventeenth century flew by auto-levitation from the middle of a church to the tabernacle of the high altar. Here again, hundreds of witnesses testified to the truth of the fantastic phenomenon.

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The ancient Arabs considered the donkey an omen of good fortune. The ancient Romans regarded the same beast as an omen of evil.

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"Quirim" was the name given, during medieval times, to a certain type of small stone found in the nests of lapwings. This stone was believed to have a strange kind of magical property: when placed on the head of a sleeping person, it induced him to utter his innermost thoughts.

A minor king once used this stone when he suspected the loyalty of a particular courtier. The sleeping courtier at once revealed that he was actually in the pay of an enemy king, and disclosed the enemy king's plans. From that time on the Quirim was also known as "The Traitor's Stone."

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There is a street in Prague named *Zlata Ulicka*, or Street of Gold. This street won its name in medieval times, because it was the haunt of alchemists who maintained their laboratories here.

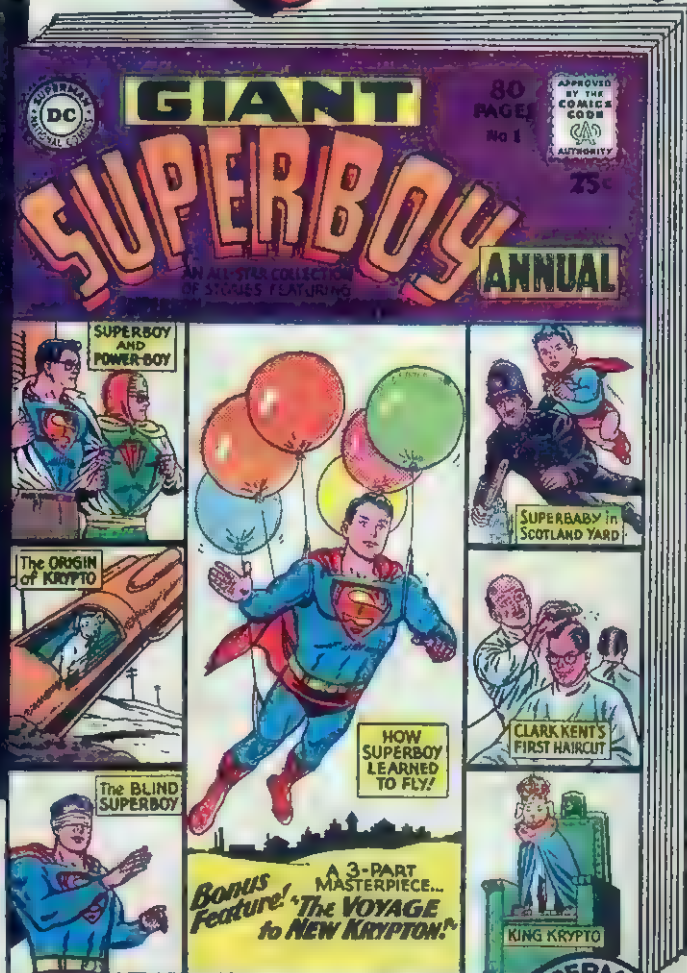
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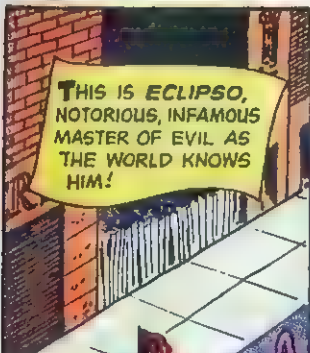
CHALLENGE OF THE SPLIT-MAN!

ECLIPSO

NOW, BRUCE GORDON, I WILL DIRECT YOUR OWN ROBOT CREATION TO DOOM YOU!

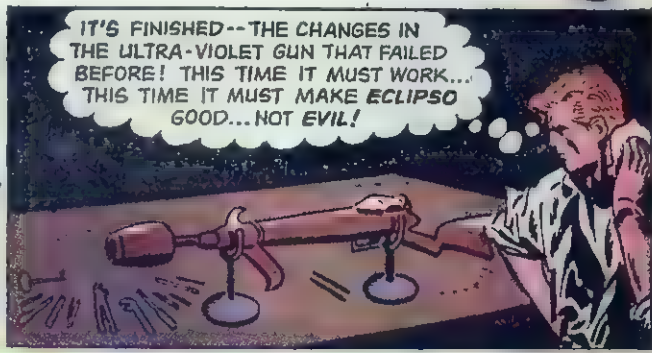
YOU FOOL!
IF YOU DESTROY
ME, YOU'LL DESTROY
YOURSELF!





THIS IS ECLIPSO, NOTORIOUS, INFAMOUS MASTER OF EVIL AS THE WORLD KNOWS HIM!

THE WORLD IS UNAWARE THAT ECLIPSO IS REALLY THE OTHER IDENTITY OF DR. BRUCE GORDON, BRILLIANT YOUNG SCIENTIST DEDICATED TO HUMANITY...

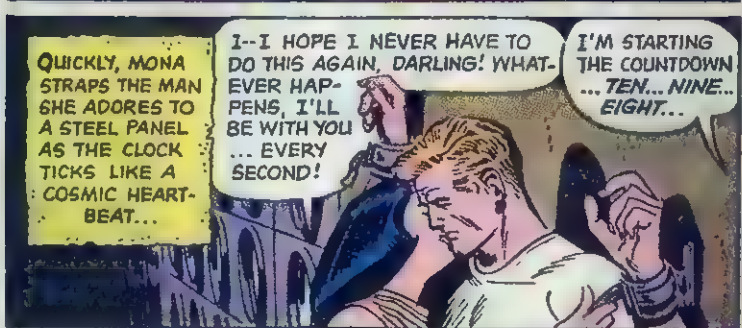


IT'S FINISHED-- THE CHANGES IN THE ULTRA-VIOLET GUN THAT FAILED BEFORE! THIS TIME IT MUST WORK... THIS TIME IT MUST MAKE ECLIPSO GOOD... NOT EVIL!



ONLY PROFESSOR SIMON BENNET, BRUCE'S MENTOR, AND MONA BENNET, WHO LOVES HIM, KNOW THE YOUTHFUL GENIUS' SECRET...

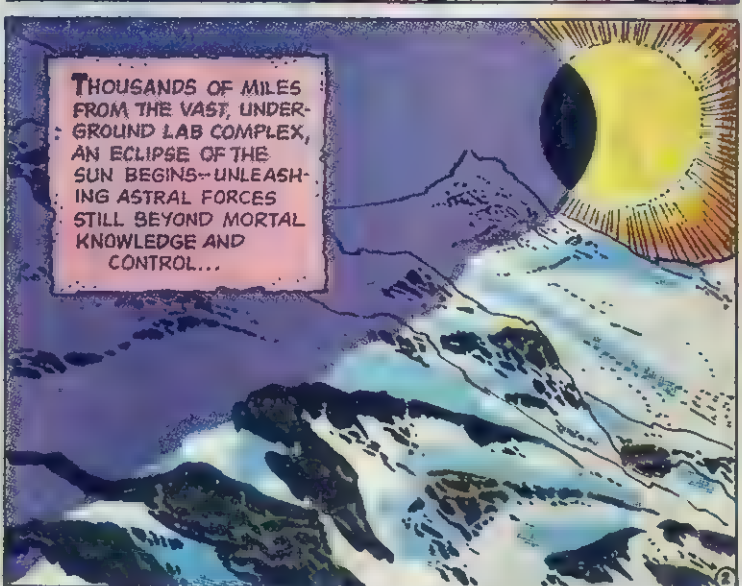
HURRY, BRUCE! WE'VE ONLY A FEW MINUTES UNTIL THAT ECLIPSE OCCURS AND CHANGES YOU ONCE AGAIN INTO ECLIPSO!



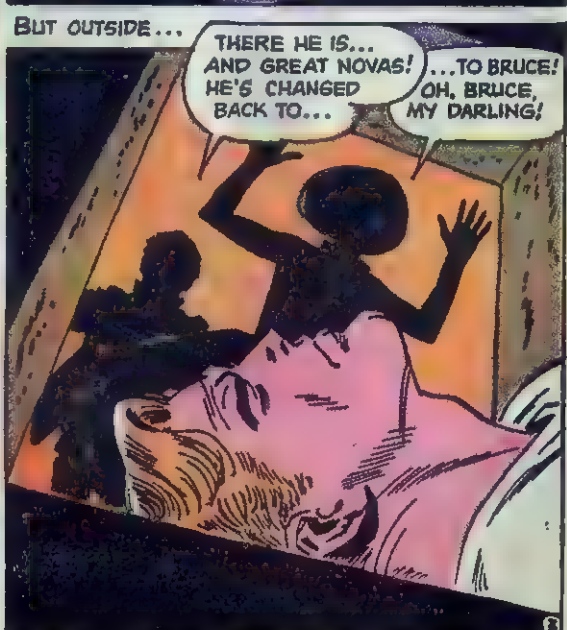
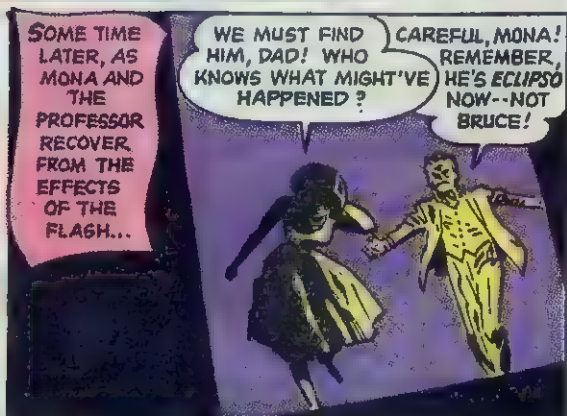
QUICKLY, MONA STRAPS THE MAN SHE ADORES TO A STEEL PANEL AS THE CLOCK TICKS LIKE A COSMIC HEART-BEAT...

I--I HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN, DARLING! WHAT-EVER HAPPENS, I'LL BE WITH YOU ... EVERY SECOND!

I'M STARTING THE COUNTDOWN ... TEN... NINE... EIGHT...



THOUSANDS OF MILES FROM THE VAST, UNDERGROUND LAB COMPLEX, AN ECLIPSE OF THE SUN BEGINS--UNLEASHING ASTRAL FORCES STILL BEYOND MORTAL KNOWLEDGE AND CONTROL...





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AS THE INERT
SCIENTIST IS
REVIVED ...

IT HAPPENED
VERY QUICKLY--
EVIDENTLY THAT

INTENSE FLASH WHEN THE
ULTRA-VIOLET GUN BLEW UP
KNOCKED HIM OUT AND
CHANGED HIM
BACK AGAIN!



SHORTLY... SO

I FAILED AGAIN!
THE GUN DIDN'T
CHANGE ECLIPSO
INTO A GOOD
CHARACTER...!

DON'T BE
DISCOURAGED,
DARLING! AT
LEAST IT CHANGED
YOU BACK TO
YOURSELF!



WE'LL FIND A WAY TO DEFEAT
HIM YET--AND
MAKE OUR
MARRIAGE
POSSIBLE!

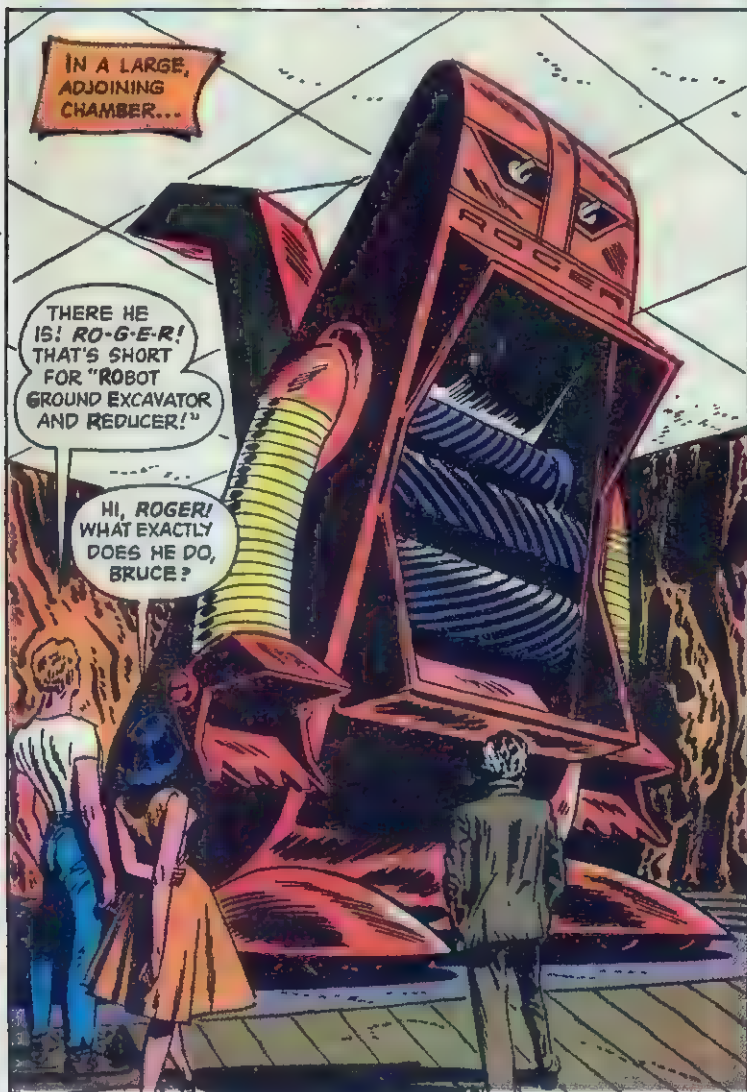
ECLIPSO'S MY DARK
STAR, SWEET, BUT
YOU'RE MY WHOLE
UNIVERSE! SAY, I
ALMOST FORGOT
ABOUT... ROGER!



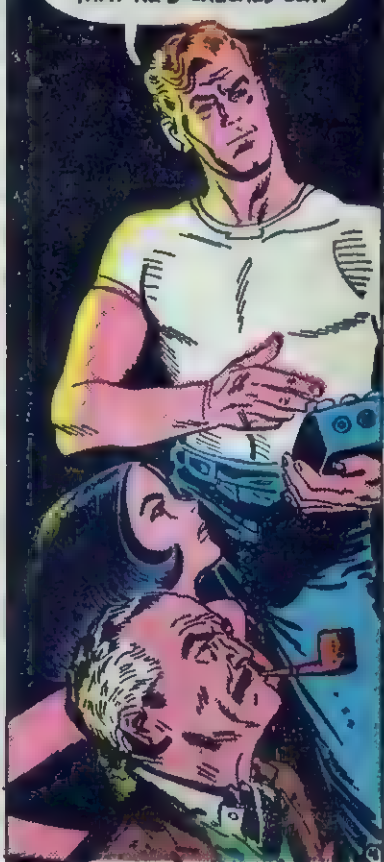
IN A LARGE,
ADJOINING
CHAMBER...

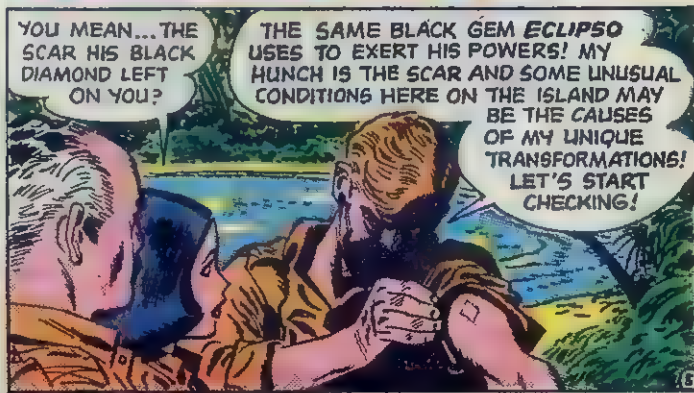
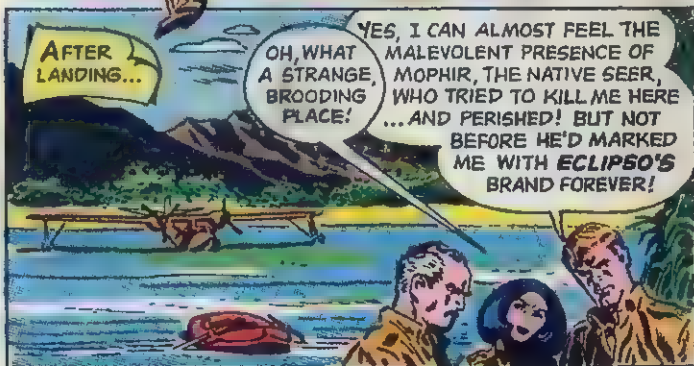
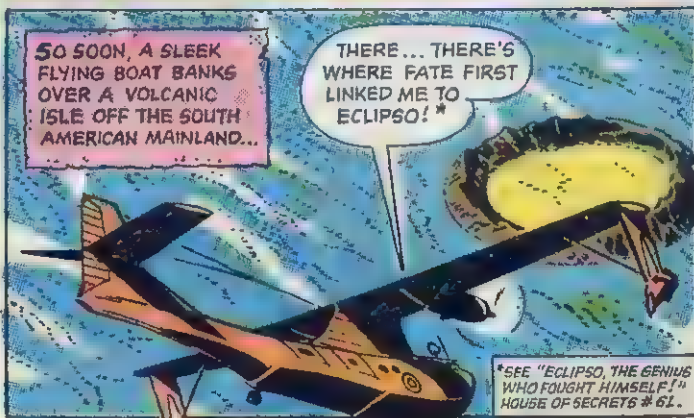
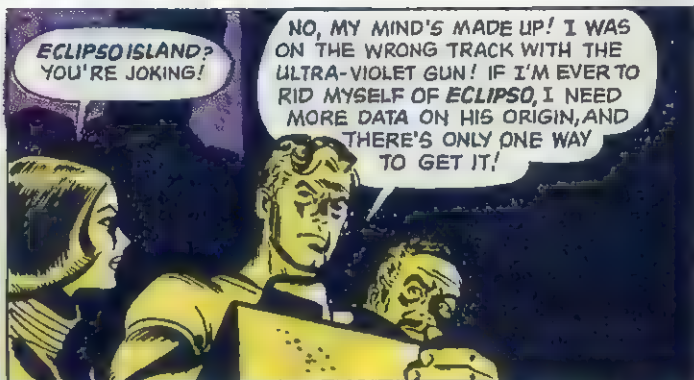
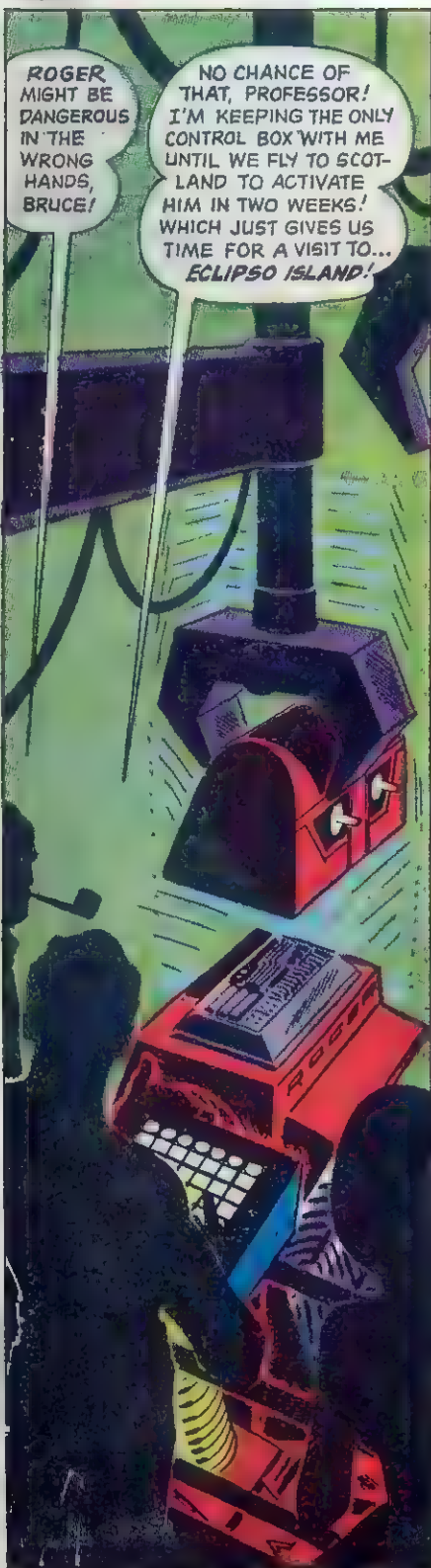
THERE HE
IS! RO-G-E-R!
THAT'S SHORT
FOR "ROBOT
GROUND EXCAVATOR
AND REDUCER!"

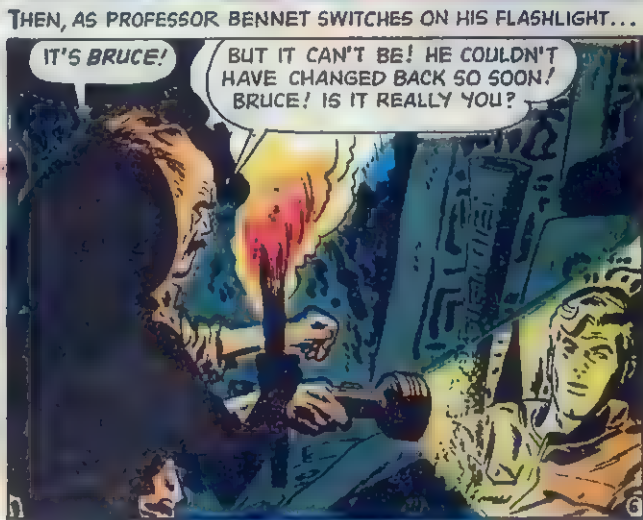
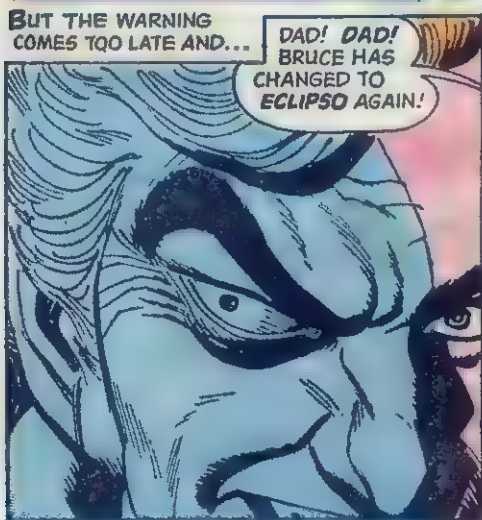
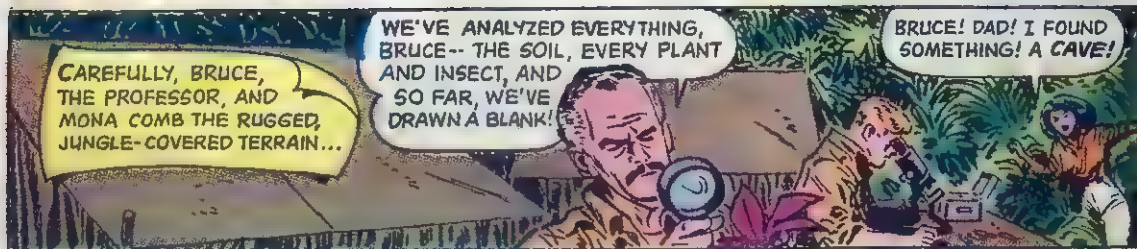
HI, ROGER!
WHAT EXACTLY
DOES HE DO,
BRUCE?



ROGER BUILDS TUNNELS,
MONA, WITHOUT RUNNING ANY
OF THE RISKS HUMAN "SAND-
HOGS" DO! I DESIGNED HIM
TO DIG A PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS
TUNNEL UNDER A SCOTTISH
ESTUARY! TIME TO DISMANTLE
AND SHIP HIM THERE, NOW
THAT HE'S CHECKED OUT!







YES, IT'S ME, PROFESSOR!
WHEN THE ARTIFICIAL ECLIPSE
HIT ME, I MUST'VE PASSED
OUT! BUT I HAD THE
WEIRDEST SENSATION...
LIKE MY VERY BODY
CELLS WERE SPLITTING...
AND... WHAT'S THAT?

HA! HA!
HA! HA!



IMMEDIATELY, THE TRIO DASHES
FROM THE GLOOMY CAVE TO SEE...

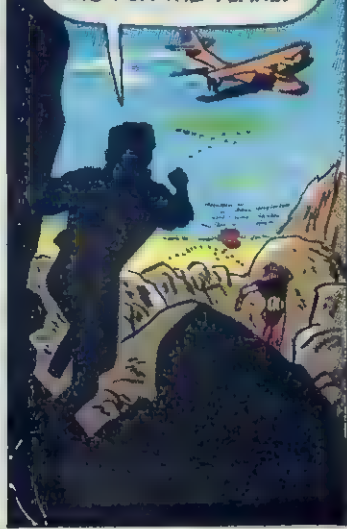
GOOD
ATOMS! IT'S
ECLIPSO!!
BUT HOW...?

NO TIME TO
FIGURE IT OUT
NOW, PROFESSOR!



THE LITHE, YOUNG SCIENTIST
SPRINTS DOWN THE MOUNTAIN
TRAIL AFTER HIS VILLAINOUS
OTHER IDENTITY...

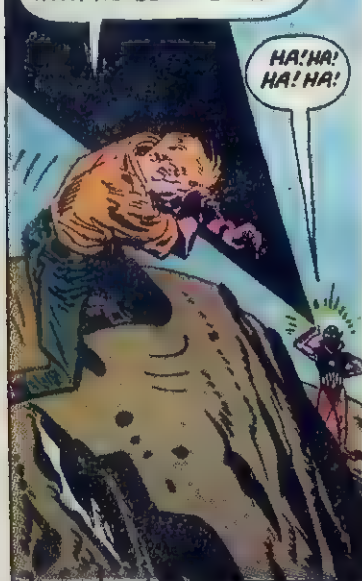
IT'S AS THOUGH I
WERE CHASING MYSELF!
THE PLANE-- HE'S HEAD-
ING FOR THE PLANE!



DESPERATELY, BRUCE
NARROWS THE GAP
BETWEEN HIM AND THE
BIZARRE FIGURE WHEN...

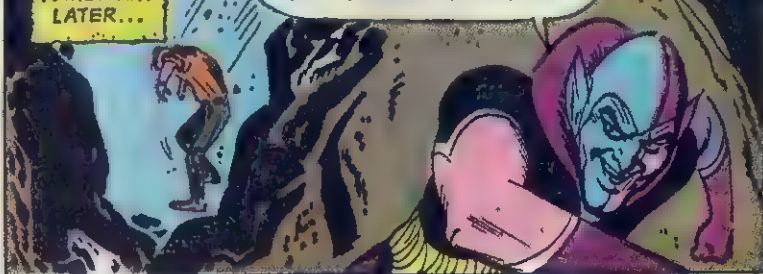
**ECLIPSO--HE'S GOT HIS
DIAMOND--BLINDING ME
WITH ITS BLACK LIGHT!**

HA! HA!
HA! HA!



A MOMENT
LATER...

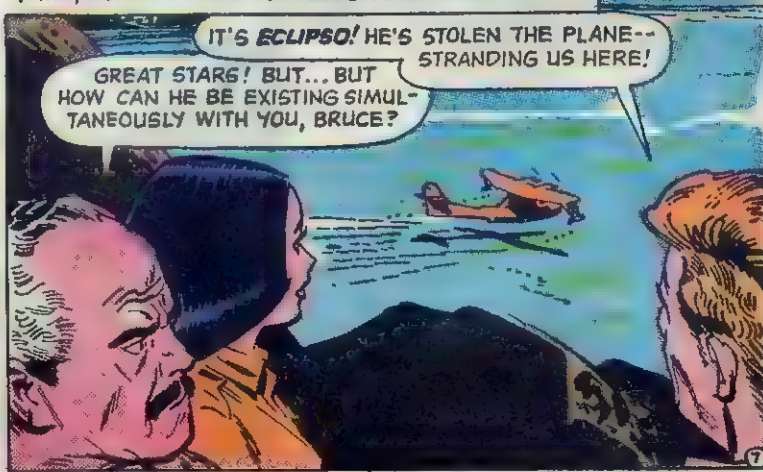
NOW TO VACATE THIS ISLAND
FOR GREENER PASTURES!



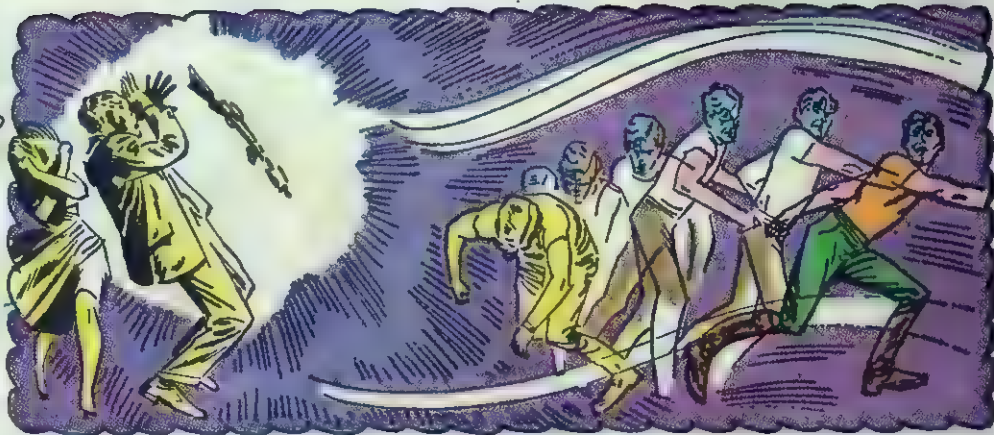
THEN, AS MONA AND PROFESSOR BENNET RUSH UP...

IT'S **ECLIPSO!** HE'S STOLEN THE PLANE--
STRANDING US HERE!

GREAT STARG! BUT... BUT
HOW CAN HE BE EXISTING SIMUL-
TANEOUSLY WITH YOU, BRUCE?



"EVIDENTLY, WHEN THE ULTRA-VIOLET GUN MISFIRED BACK AT THE LAB, A POWERFUL 'SIDE EFFECT' LITERALLY SPLIT ME INTO MY TWO IDENTITIES FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME..."



BUT ONLY FOR A BRIEF TIME, APPARENTLY! BY THE TIME WE FOUND YOU, ECLIPSO HAD DONNED HIS COSTUME AND MERGED BACK INTO YOU AGAIN!

RIGHT, PROFESSOR-- AND THAT "ARTIFICIAL ECLIPSE" IN THE CAVE SPLIT US AGAIN! AND NOT JUST TEMPORARILY THIS TIME!

SO MY EVIL OTHER SELF HAS A NEW WAY OF OPERATING-- HE CAN CO-EXIST OUTSIDE OF ME! AND WE'RE STRANDED HERE!

OH, BRUCE, YOU'LL DEFEAT HIM-- I KNOW YOU WILL!

TWO DAYS LATER, AS A PASSING SHIP RESCUES THE THREE CASTAWAYS...

PROFESSOR... MONA... LOOK AT THIS SHIP'S NEWSPAPER!

DR. BRUCE GORDON, FAMOUS SCIENTIST ARRIVES IN ENGLAND TO ASSEMBLE AND ACTIVATE ROBOT INVENTION!

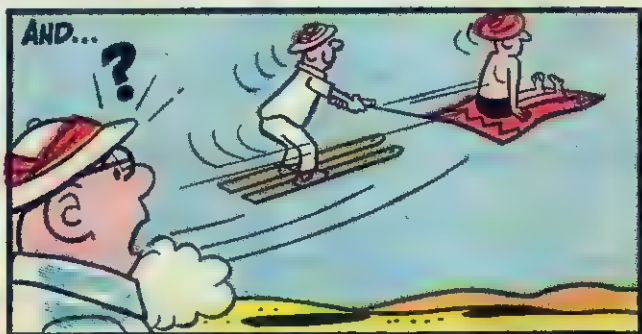
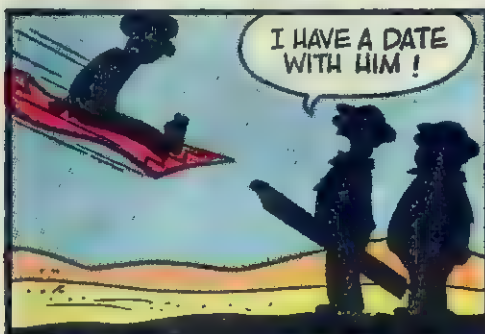
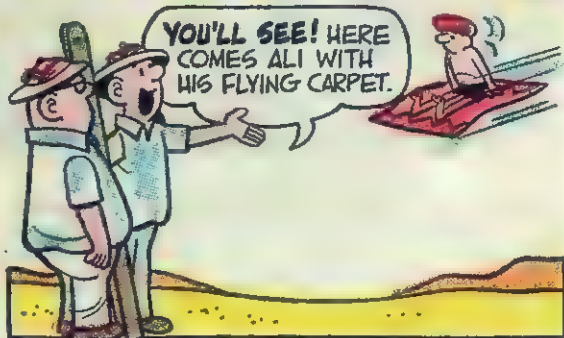
BUT, BRUCE, YOU'RE HERE ... AND...?

ONLY ONE ANSWER, MONA! IT'S ECLIPSO, DISGUISED, AND TAKING MY PLACE! WE'VE GOT TO GET TO SCOTLAND... FAST!!

SOON, ON A PLANE JETTING TOWARD THE BRITISH ISLES...

BUT I THOUGHT YOU HAD THE ONLY CONTROL MECHANISM FOR ROGER, BRUCE!

DON'T FORGET ECLIPSO HAS MY KNOWLEDGE-- MY ABILITIES-- SO IT WOULD BE SIMPLE FOR HIM TO DUPLICATE THE CONTROL AND TURN ROGER INTO A MENACE! IF ONLY WE'RE NOT TOO LATE!



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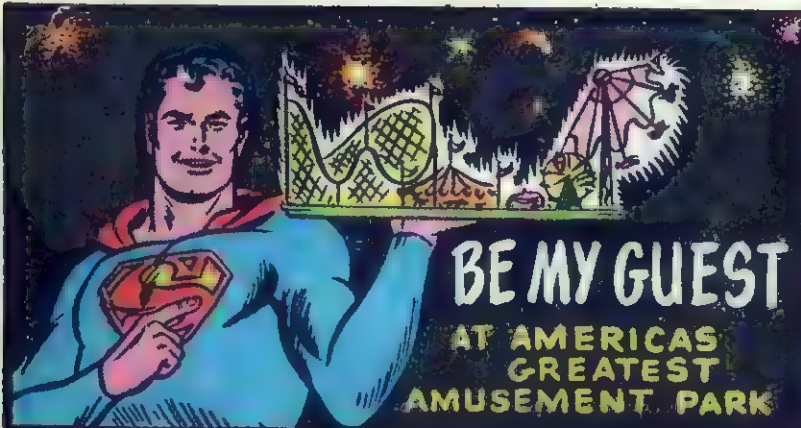
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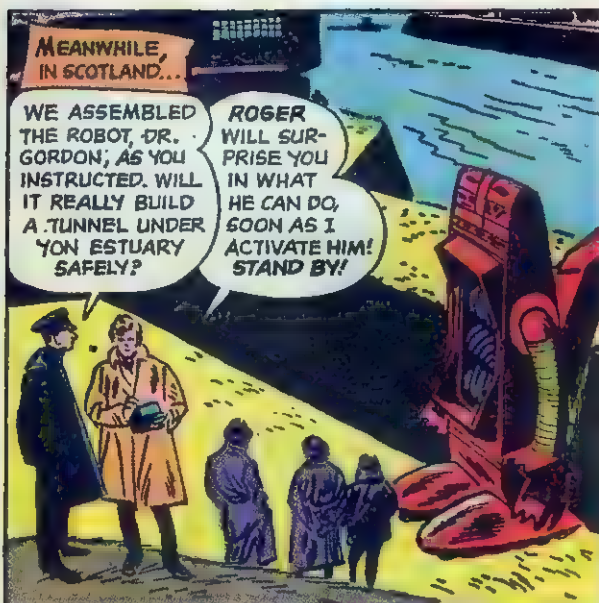
**AS HE BATTLES THE EVIL
MENACES RELEASED
FROM THE DREAD**

**IDOL-HEAD
of DIABOLU in**

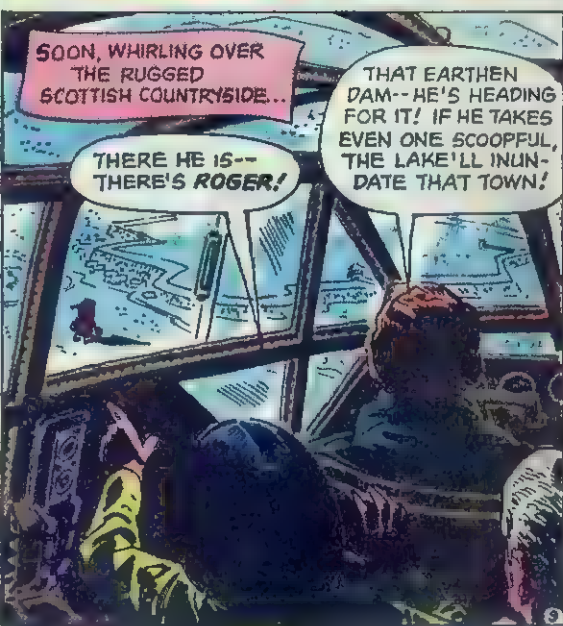
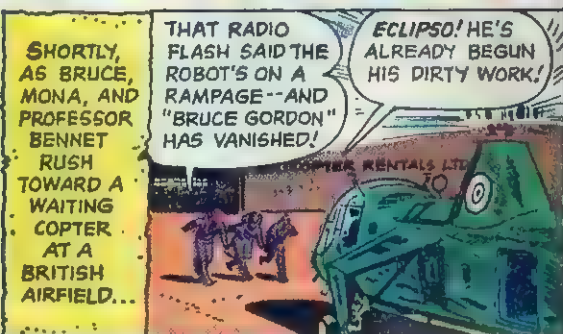
**"The WEIRD WORLD
of GILGANA!"**

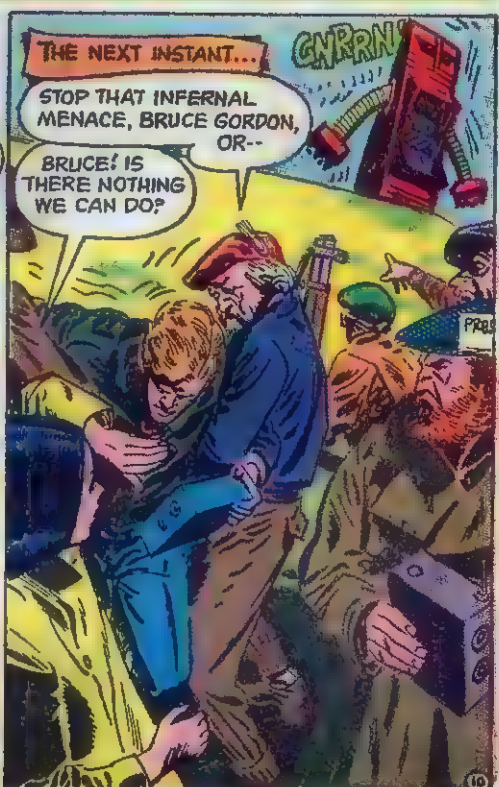
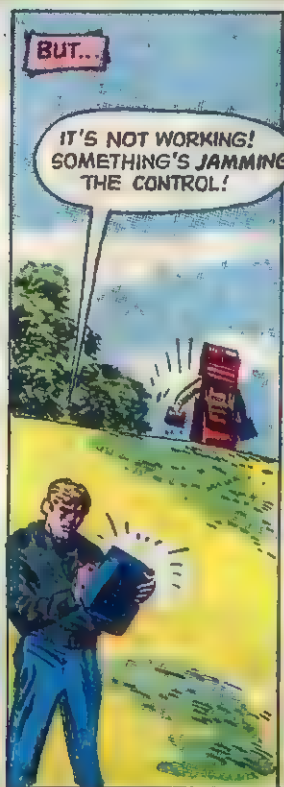
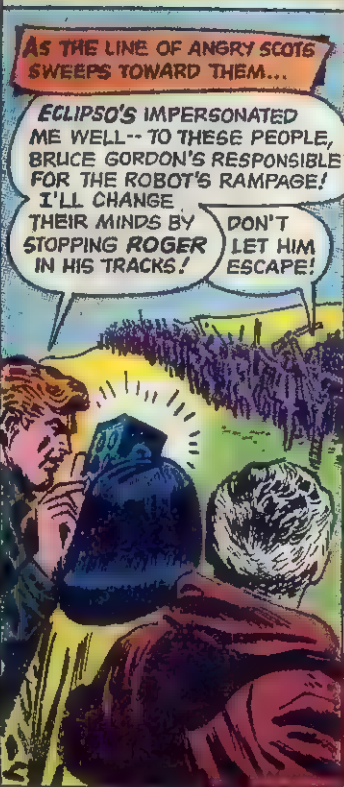
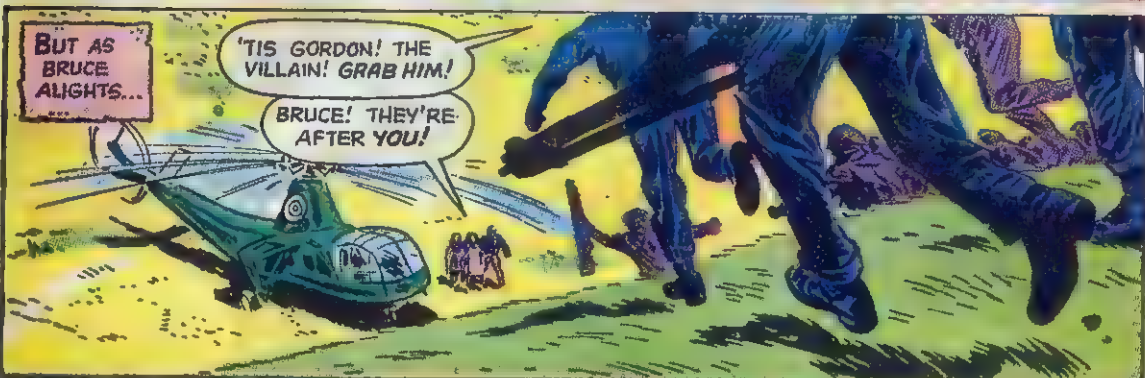
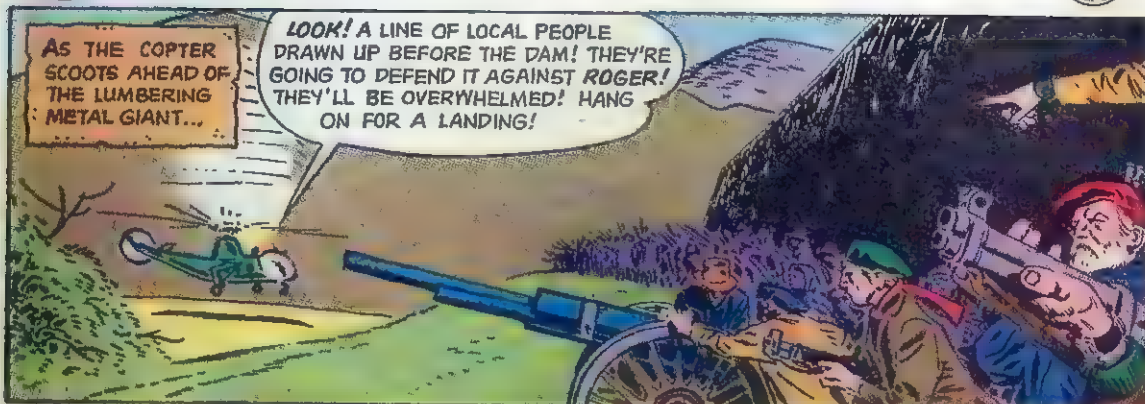


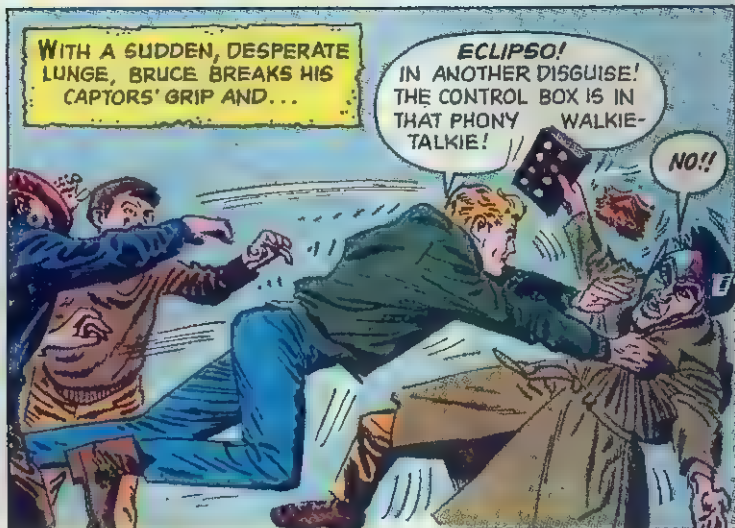
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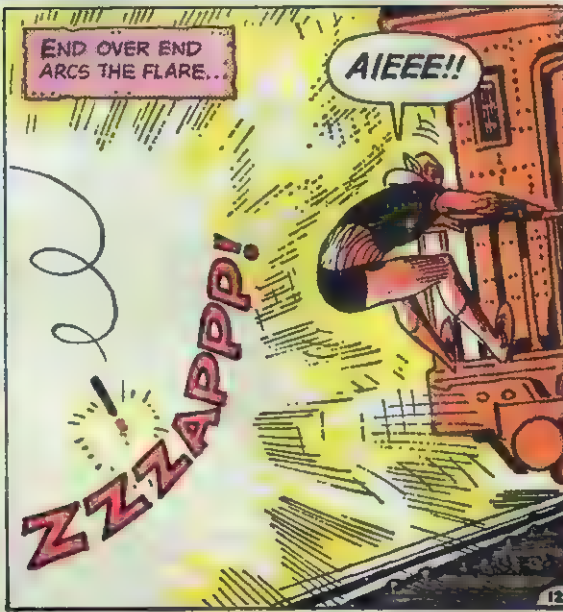
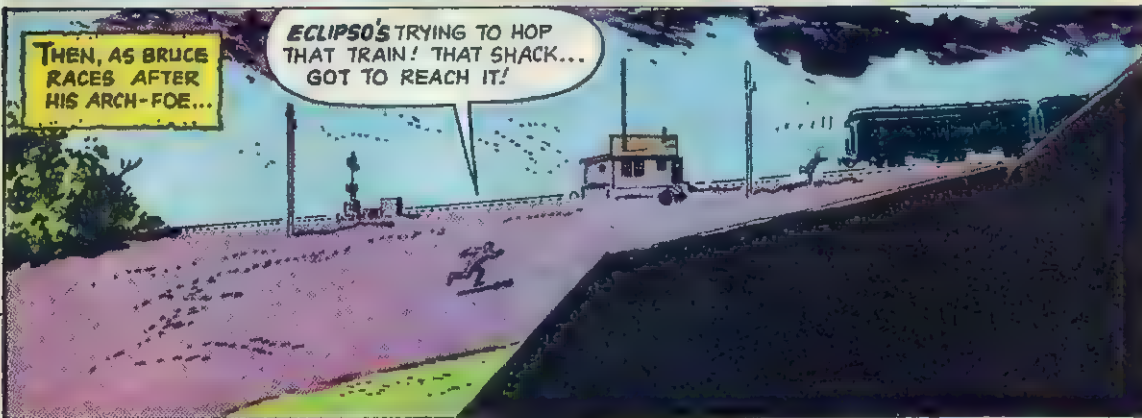
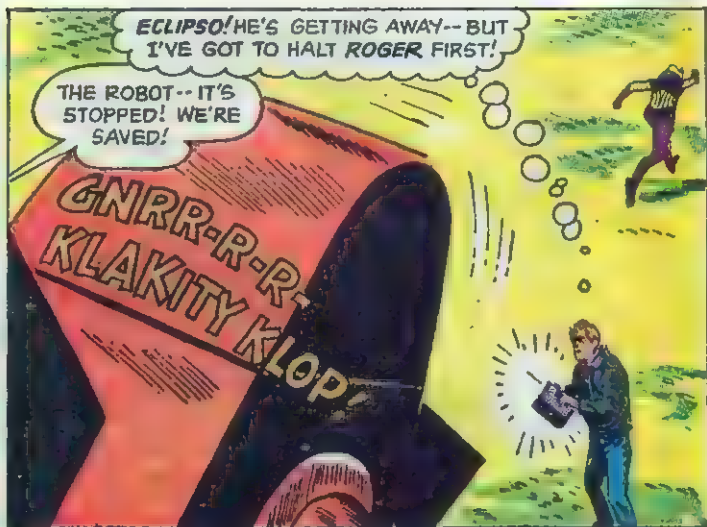
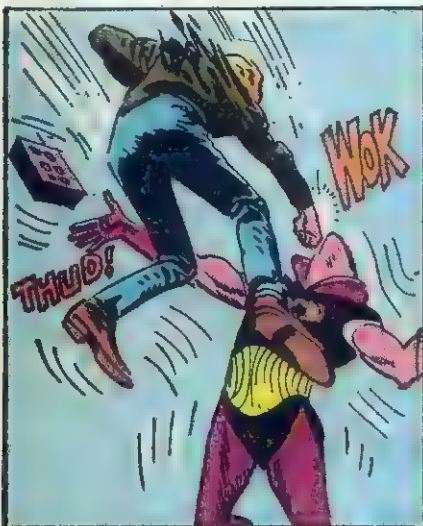


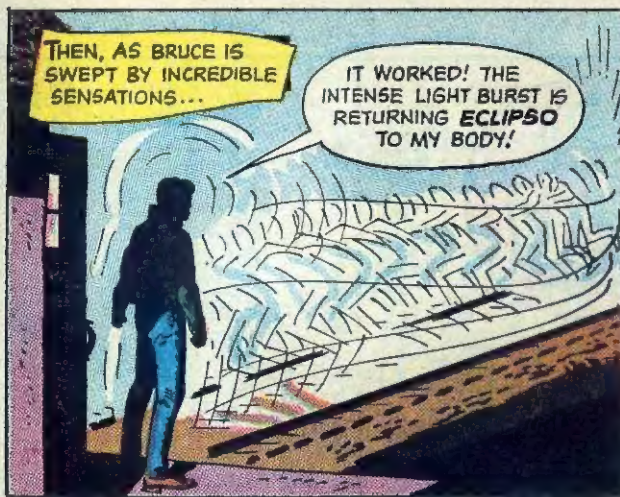
THE REMOTE CONTROL IS SWITCHED ON AND...











THEN, AS BRUCE IS SWEEPED BY INCREDIBLE SENSATIONS...

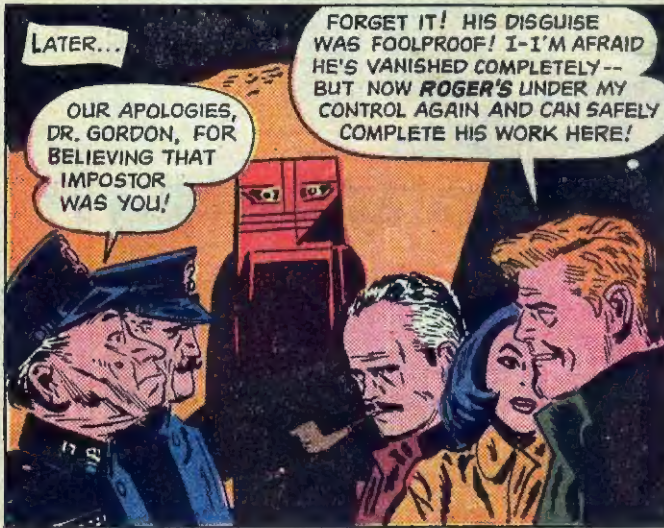
IT WORKED! THE INTENSE LIGHT BURST IS RETURNING **ECLIPSO** TO MY BODY!

AND RUSHING UP AT THAT MOMENT...



THERE'S DR. GORDON! WHAT'S THAT? A PHANTOM...MERGING INTO HIS BODY?

YOUR OWN HIGHLAND MISTS HAVE TRICKED YOUR EYES, MY MAN!



LATER...

OUR APOLOGIES, DR. GORDON, FOR BELIEVING THAT IMPOSTOR WAS YOU!

FORGET IT! HIS DISGUISE WAS FOOLPROOF! I-I'M AFRAID HE'S VANISHED COMPLETELY-- BUT NOW **ROGER'S** UNDER MY CONTROL AGAIN AND CAN SAFELY COMPLETE HIS WORK HERE!



AFTERWARD, ON A HOME-BOUND JET...

OH, DARLING, WILL WE NEVER BE FREE OF **ECLIPSO**?

I--I DON'T KNOW, MONA! AT LEAST THIS NEW FORM ENABLES ME TO FIGHT HIM FACE TO FACE! ONLY TIME HOLDS THE ANSWER!

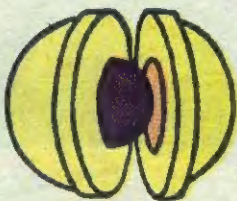
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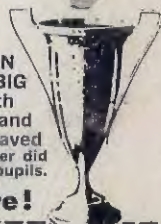
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